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Dear Fellows and Emeritus Fellows of the Collegium Ramazzini,

This is a busy month for the General Secretariat and for the Priority Topics Committee of the Collegium Ramazzini! Please help us by taking action on the following items:

### **1. Register for Ramazzini Days – online registration open 18 July-18 September**

Online registration for Ramazzini Days (October 27-30) is now open. Sign-up early to guarantee your choice of hotel accommodations:

<http://www.collegiumramazzini.org/ramazzinidays2016.asp>. Please note that the conference organization will be on holiday for several weeks in August; Fellows who complete the registration after August 4<sup>th</sup> will receive a confirmation the first week of September. Please direct event-related correspondence to Conference Co-Manager Federica Scagliarini ([events@ramazzini.it](mailto:events@ramazzini.it)).

### **2. Are you in good financial standing?**

Fellows who register for Ramazzini Days will be directed to pay their annual membership fees (300 USD) at the time of registration. Annual membership is valid September-August. All members may pay fees or make donations anytime here:

<http://www.collegiumramazzini.org/membership.asp>. Only Fellows in good financial standing are eligible to vote in the upcoming election. Please direct financial questions to Treasurer Jim Melius ([melius@nysliuna.org](mailto:melius@nysliuna.org)).

### **3. Have we received your abstract?**

Attached is a list of abstracts received to date by the Priority Topics Committee (deadline 15 June). Abstracts for POSTER presentations may still be submitted until 1 September. If you believe you submitted an abstract but do not see your name on the list of authors, please resend your submission to Committee Co-Chair Melissa McDiarmid ([Mmcdiarm@medicine.umaryland.edu](mailto:Mmcdiarm@medicine.umaryland.edu)).

#### **4. Have we received your membership nomination?**

The deadline for submitting nominations for membership in the Collegium Ramazzini is 1 August. Attached is a list of nominations received to date. Please check to make sure that your nomination has been recorded. Review the nomination guidelines here:  
<http://www.collegiumramazzini.org/about01.asp>

#### **5. Is your contact information listed correctly?**

Attached is the membership roster of Fellows and Emeritus members. Please take a moment to review your information so that we may distribute an updated list prior to the annual meeting. Please direct corrections to Erica Tommasini ([tommasinie@ramazzini.it](mailto:tommasinie@ramazzini.it)).

#### **6. Can you help with the dissemination of the 19<sup>th</sup> Collegium Ramazzini Statement on COPD?**

The Collegium has released its 19<sup>th</sup> Statement entitled [A New Approach to the Control of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease \(COPD\)](#) . Renewed thanks to the committee chaired by Laurie Welch. Are you able to translate this text into another language? Can you identify organizations and publications in your home country for dissemination? Please send your suggestions to Kathryn Knowles ([collegium@ramazzini.it](mailto:collegium@ramazzini.it)).

In closing, the General Secretary would like to remind Fellows that the deadline for submitting (electronic) petitions for the nominations for the Office of President is 1 September in accordance with the bylaws. The current candidate is incumbent Philip J. Landrigan.

Kind regards from Bologna,

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